

[18th March 1931]

[Note.--An asterisk (\*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

## I.—RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE.

\* The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—  
“Mr. President, I beg to bring to your notice the unfortunate death of our Colleague, Mr. S. N. Dorai Raja. We find from the newspapers that he died on the 13th instant. We all know that the late hon. Member was a very active Member of this Council for the last four or five years. During that time he has taken a very keen interest in the deliberations of this House, and has been on a number of Committees, and worked very conscientiously and honestly. It is a matter of very great regret that he is no more. So, I beg to move—

*‘that an expression of the sincere regret of this Council at the death of Mr. S. N. Dorai Raja, M.L.C., and of deep sympathy with his family be placed on record and conveyed to them’.*”

Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—“Sir, on behalf of the Opposition I beg to associate myself with the remarks that have just now fallen from the lips of the hon. the Home Member. Mr. Dorai Raja, Sir, has been a very good friend of many of us here. As has been said, he has been an active Member of this Council. Being a scion of a noble family, he followed the traditions of his house, and has been a consistent and strong supporter of the Government. During the time he has been in this Council, he took active part in the debates, and we will miss him here as a friend and as a public worker. I therefore have much pleasure in associating myself with the remarks made by the hon. the Home Member on this occasion, and beg that you will be pleased to communicate to his relatives our message of condolence.”

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—“Sir, I also associate myself with all that has been said on this occasion. The loss sustained by this Council on account of the death of Mr. Dorai Raja is one that every hon. Member of this House will feel very much. Mr. Dorai Raja has been an active Member of this Council. On many an occasion, he has expressed himself so strongly and so independently, even though it seemed to be against the current feeling of this Council. He never shirked from putting forward what he considered to be his view-point. He was not keeping good health for some time past, and in spite of bad health he made it a point to attend the Council as long as he could. His death is really a loss for which every Member of this House feels strongly, and I therefore associate myself with all that has been said by the Leader of the House and also by Mr. Arogyaswami Mudaliyar on behalf of the Opposition.”

Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI:—“Sir, I would like to associate myself with the feelings of regret expressed by the hon. the Leader of the House, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition and also the hon. the Chief Minister. Sir, I have known the late Rajkumar S. N. Dorai Raja for the past five years. Though coming from an aristocratic family, he had at heart the well-being of the poor and the needy. It is a great pity that his life has been so cut short. I therefore like to say that our sincere feeling of regret and sympathy may be communicated to his family.”



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MR. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN:—"Mr. President, Sir, it is really a sad thing that our Colleague and Friend, Mr. S. N. Dorai Raja, passed away. Sir, no one can doubt this fact, that Mr. Dorai Raja had the courage of his convictions, and whenever he felt that he had to express views even against the popular opinion, he did it very graciously and very strongly. That is an admirable characteristic of the late Colleague of ours. He was a very able speaker and debater, and one who really contributed a good deal to the deliberations here, ever since he entered this Council, in the last and in this Council. Sir, we really feel the loss, and will miss Mr. Dorai Raja in this Council very much."

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"The question is—

'That an expression of the sincere regret of this Council at the death of Mr. S. N. Dorai Raja, M.L.C., and of deep sympathy with his family be placed on record and conveyed to them'."

The motion was carried *nem. con.*, all the hon. Members standing.

## II.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

### STARRED QUESTIONS

#### Co-operation

##### *Increase of Co-operative Banks in Salem district.*

\* 641 Q.—MR. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the amount advanced by Government to each of the Co-operative Banks in the Salem district; and

(b) whether the Government propose to increase the number of such banks in the district?

A.—(a) Government have not advanced any amount till now to Co-operative Banks in Salem district.

(b) No. There is no demand.

MR. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—"Sir, the answer to clause (a) is, 'Government have not advanced any amount till now to the Co-operative Banks in Salem district.' Am I to take it, Sir, that there was no demand from such banks?"

The hon. MR. P. T. RAJAN:—"The answer is there, Sir."

MR. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—"My question is whether there was no demand from any of the Co-operative Banks in the Salem district for advance of money from Government?"

The hon. MR. P. T. RAJAN:—"I presume it is so."

### Public Works Department

#### *Appointment of the Sanitary Engineer to Government.*

\* 642 Q.—DIWAN BAHADUR R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether a successor has been fixed upon in place of Mr. Westerdale as Sanitary Engineer to Government;